1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA** 7 8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 2:13-CR-042-APG-(PAL) 9 Plaintiff. 10 Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture v. 11 JOSEPH FELIX, 12 Defendant. This Court finds that defendant Joseph Felix was found guilty of Count One of a One-13 Count Criminal Indictment charging him with Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon in 14 violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1). Criminal Indictment, ECF No. 1; 15 Minutes of Jury Trial, ECF No. 106; Jury Verdict, ECF No. 112. 16 This Court finds, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(1) and (2), the United States of 17 America has shown the requisite nexus between property set forth in the Forfeiture Allegation of 18 the Criminal Indictment and the offense to which defendant Joseph Felix was found guilty. 19 20 Criminal Indictment, ECF No. 1; Minutes of Jury Trial, ECF No. 106; Jury Verdict, ECF No. 112. 21 The following property is any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in any knowing 22 violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1), and is subject to forfeiture pursuant 23 to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d)(1) with Title 28, United States Code, Section 24 2461(c): 25

1. a Springfield XD-9, 9mm handgun, bearing serial number US806651; and

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2. any and all ammunition

(all of which constitutes property).

This Court finds that the United States of America may amend this order at any time to add subsequently located property or substitute property to the forfeiture order pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(2)(C) and 32.2(e).

This Court finds the United States of America is now entitled to, and should, reduce the aforementioned property to the possession of the United States of America.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the United States of America should seize the aforementioned property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED all possessory rights, ownership rights, and all rights, titles, and interests of Joseph Felix in the aforementioned property are forfeited and are vested in the United States of America and shall be safely held by the United States of America until further order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the United States of America shall publish for at least thirty (30) consecutive days on the official internet government forfeiture website, www.forfeiture.gov, notice of this Order, which shall describe the forfeited property, state the time under the applicable statute when a petition contesting the forfeiture must be filed, and state the name and contact information for the government attorney to be served with the petition, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(2).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that any individual or entity who claims an interest in the aforementioned property must file a petition for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the property, which petition shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(3) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 1746, and shall set forth the nature

and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the forfeited property and any additional facts supporting the petitioner's petition and the relief sought.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a petition, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Court, 333 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, no later than thirty (30) days after the notice is sent or, if direct notice was not sent, no later than sixty (60) days after the first day of the publication on the official internet government forfeiture site, www.forfeiture.gov.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a copy of the petition, if any, shall be served upon the Asset Forfeiture Attorney of the United States Attorney's Office at the following address at the time of filing:

Daniel D. Hollingsworth Assistant United States Attorney 501 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Suite 1100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the notice described herein need not be published in the event a Declaration of Forfeiture is issued by the appropriate agency following publication of notice of seizure and intent to administratively forfeit the above-described property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Clerk send copies of this Order to all counsel of record.

DATED this <u>1st</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2018.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

PROOF OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing was served upon counsel of record via Electronic Filing on October 31, 2018.

/s/ Heidi L. Skillin HEIDI L. SKILLIN FSA Paralegal